

## DECLARATION AND PETITION

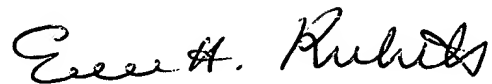
As a below named inventor, I hereby declare: that my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that I verily believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **SUSTAINED-RELEASE MICROENCAPSULATED DELIVERY SYSTEM**, which was filed on February 1, 2000, and given United States Application No. 09/495,556, and was amended on 05/08/2001, 02/27/2002, 06/24/2002, 05/06/2003, 09/16/2003, 03/04/2004; that the subject matter of the amendments were part of my invention and was invented before the filing date of the original application, above identified for such invention; that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above; and that I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in § 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Wherefore, I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, and this petition.

Signed at Bodega, California, this 29 day of April, 2005.

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